

**PROFESSIONAL SOIL SCIENTISTS SECTION
EXAMINING BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS,
HYDROLOGISTS AND SOIL SCIENTISTS
MINUTES
MADISON, WISCONSIN
MARCH 13, 2003**

PRESENT: Tracy Benzel (by phone), Jon Guntow, Wayne Lindgren,
Robert Wendt

STAFF PRESENT: Patricia Hoeft, Division Administrator, Otis Nickson,
Bureau Director, William Black, Legal Counsel, and
Gina York, Minute taker

CALL TO ORDER

Tracy Benzel, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. A quorum of four members was present.

AGENDA

MOTION: Robert Wendt moved, seconded by Jon Guntow, to approve the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (10/02/2002)

Amendment to the Minutes:

➤ Correct GHSS Rules Committee motion as indicated below:

MOTION: Robert Wendt moved, seconded by Jon Guntow, that the Section made an inadvertent decision at the last meeting and this motion is to correct the 10/02/02 minutes to reflect the current reality that Robert Wendt should be the designee to the GHSS Rules Committee and not Tracy Benzel. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Robert Wendt moved, seconded by Jon Guntow, to approve the minutes of 10/02/2002 as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

SECTION ROSTER

The Section roster was reviewed and approved as published.

2003 SECTION/BOARD MEETING DATES

The Section approved the Section dates with one exception and the Joint Board meeting dates as published. The Section requested:

MOTION: Robert Wendt moved, seconded by Jon Guntow, to change the June 24, 2003 meeting to July 16, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

TO-DO LIST

Patty Hoeft reviewed the to-do list with the Section. The Section reviewed and approved the Soil Science brochure revised in October 2002.

REGULATORY DIGEST

The Section reviewed the draft of the Regulatory Digest dated February 2003. The Section will submit any future articles to Otis Nicksion, Bureau Director.

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL

Patty Hoeft informed the Section of the out-of-state travel restrictions in effect until further notice. An update will be provided by the Bureau Director to the Section as information becomes available.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Noted.

SECTION MEMBER ACTIVITY

It was noted that Robert Wendt received confirmation on January 28, 2003 as a Section member.

The Section noted that a Section member needed to be nominated to take Jerry Tyler's place at the Council of Soil Science Examiners is working on exam questions for the nationwide exam.

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MOTION: Robert Wendt moved, seconded by Jon Guntow, to nominate Tracy Benzel as the designee to the Council of Soil Science Examiners. Motion carried unanimously.

PRACTICE ISSUES

COMPILATION OF STATUTES AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE REFERENCES FOR GHSS PROFESSIONS

The Section discussed the creation of a master list of administrative rules for GHSS professions. Section members will submit these items to Tracy Benzel.

PECFA ISSUE AND DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bill Black informed the Section that Mary Gosda and Lori Huntoon from the Department of Commerce presented to the Geology Section information surrounding Petroleum Environmental Cleanup Fund Act (PECFA) issues. There were several areas of concern relating to licensing, practice issues, continuing education requirements, registration of firms and current administrative rules and state statutes. Further discussion on this topic will be addressed at a future meeting.

Mr. Black indicated to the Section that a discussion occurred at the Geology Section meeting held on March 12, 2003, regarding the Inter-Agency Liaison Committee, its purpose and the status objectives identified by this group. Mary Forseth will be pulling together information regarding this Committee and provide it to the Section. This information can then be shared with GHSS Boards.

EXAMINATION ISSUES

COUNCIL OF SOIL SCIENCE EXAMINERS EXAM DEVELOPMENT

Tracy Benzel will be attending the Council of Soil Science Examiners Workshop at the end of June 2003.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

Bill Black, Legal Counsel, informed the Board that at this time there is no additional information to report.

NEW BUSINESS

**WISCONSIN SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL SOIL SCIENTISTS
CONTINUING EDUCATION PROPOSAL**

There was a lengthy discussion regarding this topic. The Wisconsin Society of Professional Soil Scientists (WSPSS) is a very small organization with only volunteer staff, but they are interested in the knowing the process of becoming an approving organization for continuing education courses .

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

There were no issues to discuss in closed session.

SUCH OTHER ITEMS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jon Guntow moved, seconded by Robert Wendt, to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting: July 16, 2003